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SUBJECT: PUBLIC SCHOOL RESTROOMS

This is to provide you with an update regarding the November 18, 2003 Board approved motion by Supervisor Antonovich pertaining to public school restrooms. The motion ordered the Director of Health Services to coordinate joint inspections with City staff and meet with the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) and Los Angeles County Office of Education to determine whether a cooperatively funded school restroom inspection program can be developed.

In December 2003, Environmental Health conducted a review of the LAUSD school safety program. As previously reported, in January 2004, the City Attorney and the LAUSD Superintendent also announced a program for joint inspections. To date, Environmental Health has not been contacted to participate in this effort.

Environmental Health staff continue to conduct complaint investigations in schools. If you have any questions or need additional information, please let us know.

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